

N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: UCHIDA, Takayuki

Group Art Unit: 2165

Serial No.: 10/677,216

Examiner: Jacques VEILLARD

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For:

RECORDING MEDIUM STORING HIERARCHICAL INFORMATION, INFORMATION RETRIEVING DEVICE, INFORMATION RETRIEVING SYSTEM, INFORMATION RETRIEVING METHOD, INFORMATION RETRIEVING COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

STORING SUCH COMPUTER PROGRAM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
- EXPEDITED RESPONSE GROUP ART UNIT 2165

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 22, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.